Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 06 Jul 2023 until 23:59 on Friday 07 Jul 2023

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 05 Jul 2023 at 16:54 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Medium due to changeable conditions.

Headline for Thursday 06 Jul 2023: Bright spells and a scattering of showers. Strengthening winds, rain later.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 06 Jul 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Light rain showers	Light rain	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability							
20%	20%	30%	30%	30%	30%	60%	80%

Forecast for Thursday 06 Jul 2023

Weather: Mainly dry overnight, although some patchy low cloud and the odd shower possible. Rather cloudy with occasional rain and low cloud during the early morning, most widespread through Knoydart and around Glen Shiel, but skies brightening with cloud lifting near or above the summits with the odd shower possible. Cloud then lowering again during the evening with outbreaks of heavy rain pushing in from the west.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40% becoming 80% by early afternoon, lowering 30% or less in the evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Occasional or extensive cloud, base 400 to 600m at first, lifting and breaking near or above the summits by early afternoon, but lowering significantly in the evening. Visibility moderate to very poor in early low cloud and rain, becoming mostly very good for a time, before reducing again in the evening.

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Forecast for Thursday 06 Jul 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	18/23 S	20/24 S	19/23 S	18/24 S	18/24 S	19/25 S	25/32 SE	35/45 SE	38/48 SE
900	18/22 S	18/23 S	18/22 S	17/23 S	18/23 S	18/24 S	23/30 SE	32/42 SE	34/44 SE
600	13/17 S	12/17 S	13/17 S	13/19 S	13/19 S	14/20 S	15/22 SE	21/32 SE	22/33 SE
300	4/16 S	3/15 S	4/15 S	6/18 S	6/17 S	6/18 S	4/20 SE	7/29 SE	8/32 SE
Glen	6/15 S	6/16 S	8/16 S	9/18 S	8/17 S	7/16 S	9/21 SE	14/30 SE	16/34 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	5/0	5/-0	5/0	6/1	7/2	8/4	7/2	6/1	7/1
900	6/1	6/1	6/1	7/3	8/4	9/5	8/4	7/2	8/2
600	8/5	8/5	8/5	9/6	10/8	11/8	10/8	10/6	10/6
300	10/9	10/9	10/10	12/11	13/12	14/13	13/12	12/10	12/11
Glen	12/11	12/11	13/12	15/13	15/14	16/15	15/14	14/12	15/12
Freezing Level*	1700m	1700m	1700m	1800m	2000m	2000m	2100m	2700m	2800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note strengthening winds, summit gales expected in the evening.

Forecast for Friday 07 Jul 2023

Weather: Windy with outbreaks of heavy rain and low cloud overnight. Most of the rain dying out during the morning with the cloud beginning to lift and break, bright or sunny spells ten developing through the afternoon with the chance of showers. Sunny then clear spells in the evening.

Maximum wind: South 30mph gusting 45mph early morning, easing to around 20mph in the afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% overnight and early morning, becoming 80% in the afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Occasional or extensive cloud, base 300 to 600m at first, lifting and clearing above the summits through the afternoon. Visibility moderate to very poor at first, becoming good or very good in the afternoon.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 12 Celsius rising to 21 Celsius in the afternoon
At 800m: Plus 7 Celsius rising to 12 Celsius in the afternoon
Freezing level: Above the summits

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